

# Intervention Resources and Next Steps

#### **Centers of Regional Excellence Trainings**

Professional Learning Communities - Effective Intervention Practices

- 4 Sessions
- Effective Intervention Practices
- Finding the Most Basic Skill Deficit
- Basic Reading and Fluency
- Comprehension



#### **Effective Intervention Practices**

- 1. Explicit instruction
- Gradual release model
- 3. High-quality academic feedback
- 4. Multi-sensory teaching and learning
- 5. Aligned to individual student skill deficit



#### **Micro-Credentials**

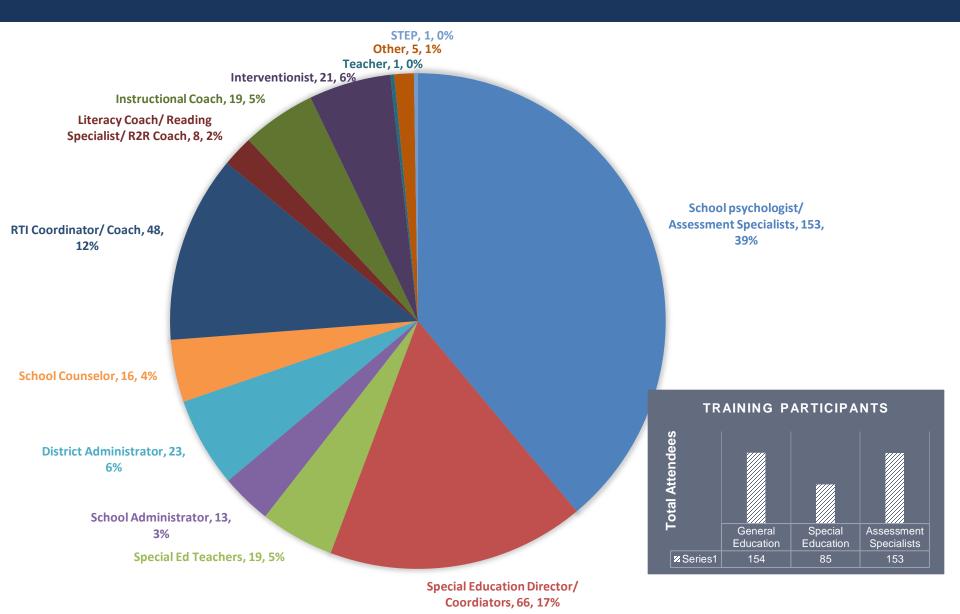
- Develop ways for educators to demonstrate competency in specific areas for work they have already done, competencies in which they wish to grow
- Pilot districts
- Utilize current micro-credentials or create new ones





# Dyslexia Training Update and Next Steps

# Training: Who?



#### **Sort into Groups**

**Determining** Expression/ Pace **Importance** Intonation Fix-Up/ Sight **Self-Monitoring** Words **Efficiency** Accuracy **Synthesis** Schema/Background Knowledge **Inferring Visualization** Punctuation/ **Phonemic Phrasing Awareness** Vocabulary **Phonics** Questioning







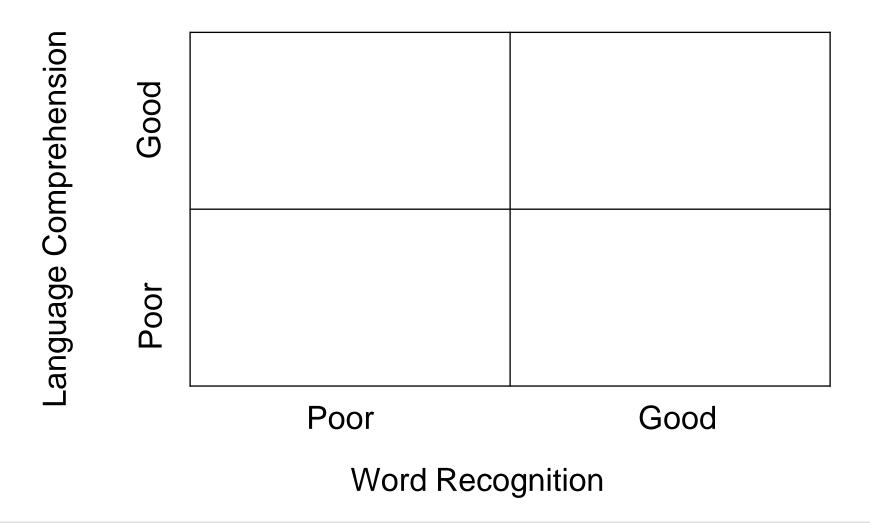
#### **Common Myths**

Reading
Difficulties

Myth: All reading difficulties can be attributed to dyslexia.

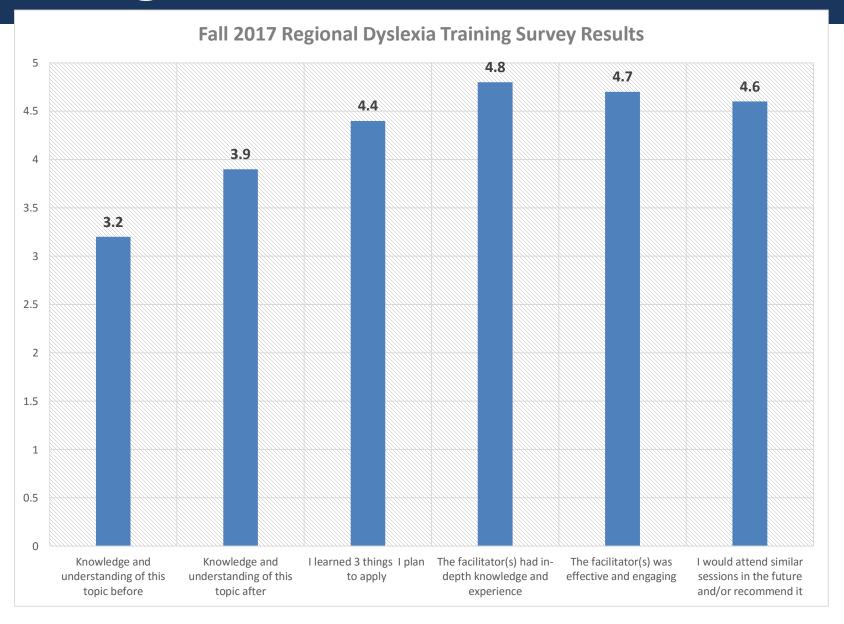
Truth: The hallmark of dyslexia is an unexpected reading difficulty in a child who seems to have all the equipment (intelligence, verbal skills, motivation) necessary to become a reader.<sup>1</sup> There are other ways students can struggle to read: (1) 3-10% of students who are strong decoders don't understand what they are reading (specific reading comprehension deficit)<sup>3</sup> and (2) some students struggle with both the code of the language and the meaning of language (mixed reading deficit).

## **Profiles of Reading Difficulty**





# Training: Feedback



### **Training: Feedback**

- Comments have been overwhelmingly positive
  - Attendees wanted more of their district personnel to attend in the future
  - Interactive activities were engaging and effective
  - Information was timely, thorough, and well-presented
  - Modeled collaboration of instruction/psychologist was impactful and well-received
  - Positive comments noted the training to "helpful" (17 comments) and "excellent/great" (50 comments)



#### **District Intervention Reporting**

- 120/146 districts responded
- What we see
  - Trends
    - Boxed programs
    - Systematic approaches
    - Confusion regarding reporting criteria and specificity of interventions
- Next step
  - Refine the data collection process to better reflect:
    - How the resources are being used
    - What is reported: interventions vs. assessments vs. personnel



#### **Training & Resources: Next Steps**

- FAQ Document
- Online overview of the legislative requirements (looking into options)
- One-page resource documents
  - Parent
  - Educator
- Parent training
- Next round of regional trainings
- CORE collaboration





# Parent Training and Resource Feedback

### **One-pager Documents**

#### Dyslexia Advisory Council

One-Page Guidance Feedback

District One-Pager	Parent One-Pager
Dyslexia and the Components of Reading	Dyslexia: Myths and Truths
Characteristics of Dyslexia	Parent Letter: Means/Doesn't Mean
Characteristics of Dyslexia Intervention	Help at Home: Dos and Donts
Visual of the School Process/Bill Requirements	Questions to Ask your School
Parent Notification/Coding/ePlan	l Got a Letter, Now What?
What if? Q&A Section	Visual of Bill Requirements
Continuum of Services (RTI, SLD, 504, IEP, etc)	Continuum of Services (RTI, SLD, 504, IEP, etc)
Other:	Other:



#### Parent Training Outline (page 1)

- 1. What is dyslexia?
  - a. Definition
  - b. Components of reading brief overview
    - i. Where deficits are commonly found
    - ii. How it impacts other components & behaviors (such as anxiety, not wanting to read, etc.
  - c. Indicators your child might have characteristics of dyslexia
    - i. How it impacts other components & behaviors (such as anxiety, not wanting to read, etc.); can do by age/grade band
  - d. Myths/Facts
  - e. Dyslexia success stories/videos

#### Parent Training Outline (page 2)

#### 2. "Say Dyslexia" Bill

- a. Background and brief description of requirements
- b. Screening process (RTI2) include a visual of this
  - i. Characteristics of dyslexia
  - ii. Reasons a child exhibiting characteristics may not have dyslexia
  - iii. Note that parent is a part of this process
- c. School team review of screening data and determination of intervention needs
  - Include who is on the school team
- d. District/school reporting responsibility
  - i. Student growth data for students receiving dyslexia intervention services
  - ii. Dyslexia-specific intervention services provided in each district
  - iii. Who to contact with additional questions
- e. Parent notification
  - i. Reasons they have been notified
  - ii. Reminder that it means their child exhibits characteristics of dyslexia; it isn't a diagnosis
  - iii. What this means vs. doesn't mean (possibly include a chart)

### Parent Training Outline (page 3)

- f. Now what?
  - i. Interventions addressing characteristics of dyslexia is the most important piece
  - ii. Progress monitoring needed to measure effectiveness of intervention
  - iii. Continuum of Programming Services
    - 1. Information about who is on the assessment team (it includes parents)
    - 2. Tier I (general education core instruction) differentiation & accommodations
    - 3. Tier II/III (general education intervention)
    - 4. 504
      - a. What it is and where it comes from (STEP has a 504 workshop)
      - b. Process for obtaining services
    - 5. Special education
      - a. Possible services
      - b. Referral for evaluation
        - i. By school
        - ii. By parent request
          - 1. Bringing an outside dyslexia diagnosis
          - 2. What it means to "consider" the information
      - c. Assessment planning
        - i. Where dyslexia fits in SLD (similar to how ADHD fits into OHI)
        - ii. Battery of possible assessments included in an actual dyslexia evaluation
      - d. Eligibility requirements
      - e. IEP expectations

### Parent Training Outline (page 4)

- 3. Supporting at home
  - a. What parents can do
    - Collaborate with school team
      - 1. Ways to share information with child's teacher on how to help them be successful
      - 2. Review child's progress and discuss progress/programming with child's teachers
      - 3. Example questions parents can ask
    - ii. Activities/strategies (do's and don'ts)
  - b. Resources
    - i. "Say Dyslexia" Bill (include link)
    - ii. Dyslexia guide (include link)
    - iii.Other free resources/websites (as found in dyslexia guide)
    - iv.Helpful TN contacts (TDOE, STEP, etc.)